From sourcecode to a running M5Stack on Windows

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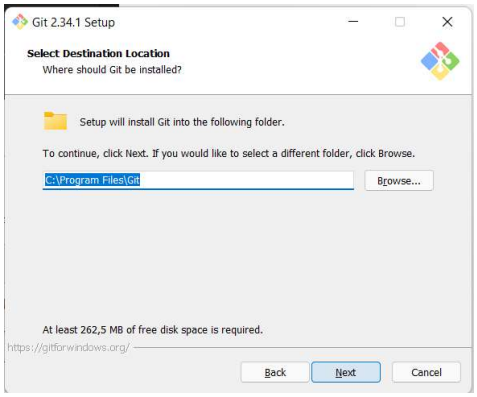
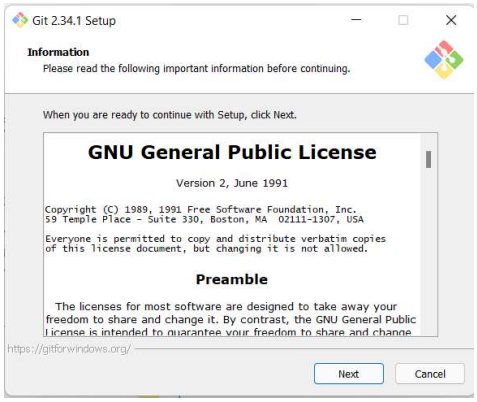
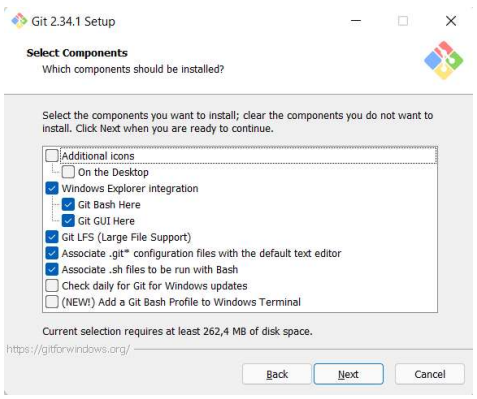
First of all, Visual Studio Code, also named VSCode has nothing to do with Microsoft Visual Studio!

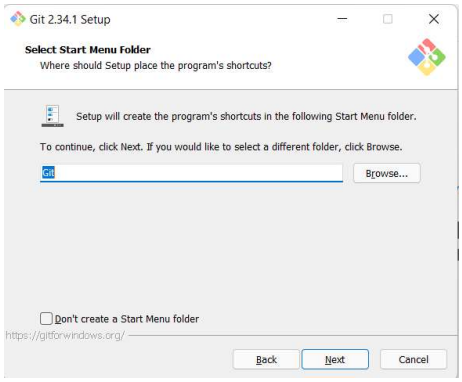
Download and install VSCode:
https://code.visualstudio.com/download

Download and install GIT:
https://git-scm.com/





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Select Start Menu Folder
Where should Setup place the program's shortcuts?
Setup will create the program's shortcuts in the following Start Menu folder.
To continue, click Next. If you would like to select a different folder, click Browse.
Git
Browse...
Don't create a Start Menu folder
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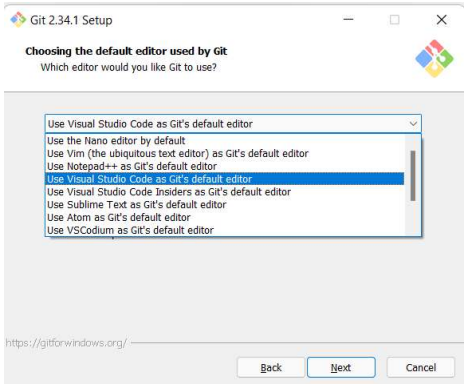
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Choosing the default editor used by Git
Which editor would you like Git to use?
Use Visual Studio Code as Git's default editor
Use the Nano editor by default
Use Vim (the ubiquitous text editor) as Git's default editor
Use Notepad++ as Git's default editor
Use Visual Studio Code as Git's default editor
Use Visual Studio Code Insiders as Git's default editor
Use Sublime Text as Git's default editor
Use Atom as Git's default editor
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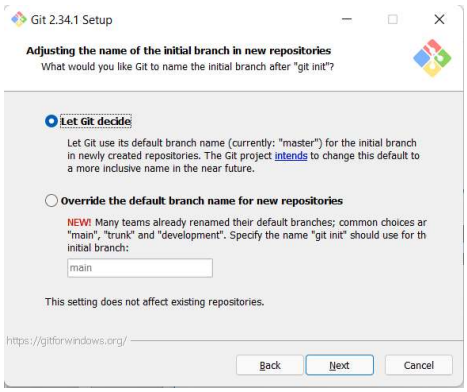
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Adjusting the name of the initial branch in new repositories
What would you like Git to name the initial branch after "git init"?
Let Git decide
Let Git use its default branch name (currently: "master") for the initial branch
in newly created repositories. The Git project intends to change this default to
a more inclusive name in the near future.
Override the default branch name for new repositories
NEW! Many teams already renamed their default branches; common choices ar
"main", "trunk" and "development". Specify the name "git init" should use for th
initial branch:
main
This setting does not affect existing repositories.
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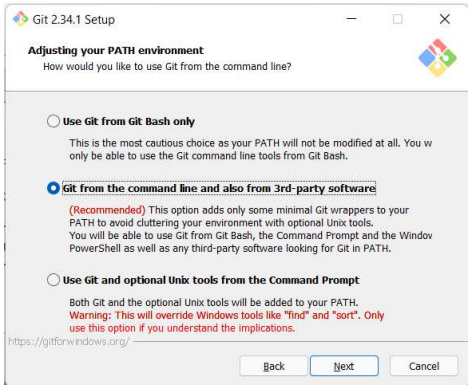
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Adjusting your PATH environment
How would you like to use Git from the command line?
Use Git from Git Bash only
This is the most cautious choice as your PATH will not be modified at all. You w
only be able to use the Git command line tools from Git Bash.
Git from the command line and also from 3rd-party software
(Recommended) This option adds only some minimal Git wrappers to your
PATH to avoid cluttering your environment with optional Unix tools.
You will be able to use Git from Git Bash, the Command Prompt and the Windov
PowerShell as well as any third-party software looking for Git in PATH.
Use Git and optional Unix tools from the Command Prompt
Both Git and the optional Unix tools will be added to your PATH.
Warning: This will override Windows tools like "find" and "sort". Only
use this option if you understand the implications.
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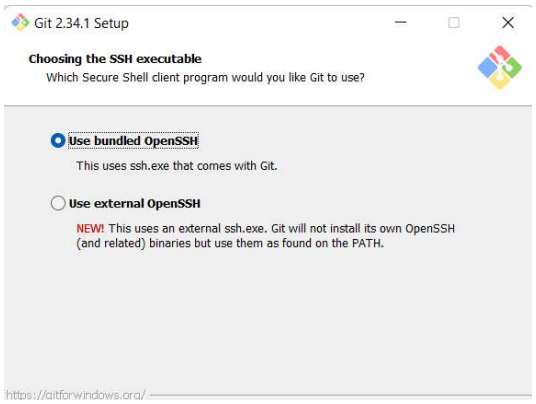
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Choosing the SSH executable
Which Secure Shell client program would you like Git to use?
Use bundled OpenSSH
This uses ssh.exe that comes with Git.
Use external OpenSSH
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(and related) binaries but use them as found on the PATH.
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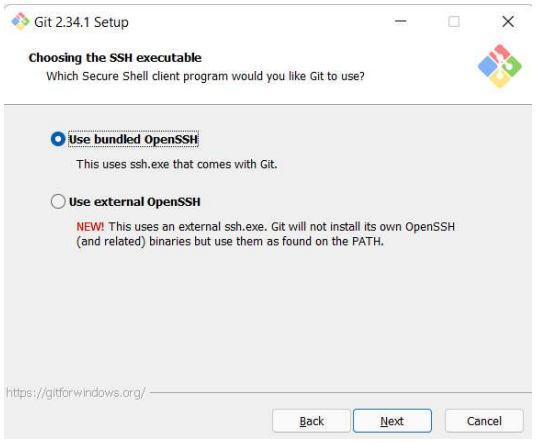
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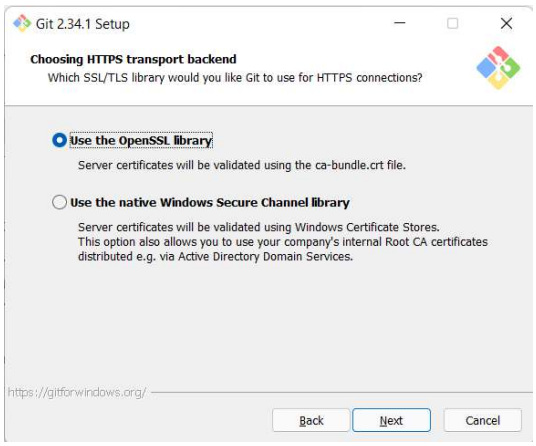
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Choosing HTTPS transport backend
Which SSL/TLS library would you like Git to use for HTTPS connections?
Use the OpenSSL library
Server certificates will be validated using the ca-bundle.crt file.
Use the native Windows Secure Channel library
Server certificates will be validated using Windows Certificate Stores.
This option also allows you to use your company's internal Root CA certificates distributed e.g. via Active Directory Domain Services.
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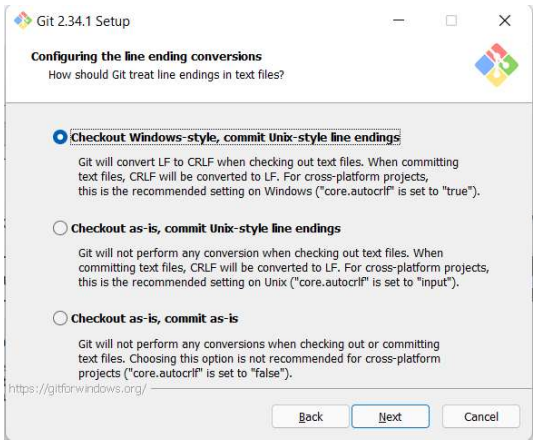
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Configuring the line ending conversions
How should Git treat line endings in text files?
Checkout Windows-style, commit Unix-style line endings
Git will convert LF to CRLF when checking out text files. When committing text files, CRLF will be converted to LF. For cross-platform projects, this is the recommended setting on Windows ("core.autocrlf" is set to "true").
Checkout as-is, commit Unix-style line endings
Git will not perform any conversion when checking out text files. When committing text files, CRLF will be converted to LF. For cross-platform projects, this is the recommended setting on Unix ("core.autocrlf" is set to "input").
Checkout as-is, commit as-is
Git will not perform any conversions when checking out or committing text files. Choosing this option is not recommended for cross-platform projects ("core.autocrlf" is set to "false").
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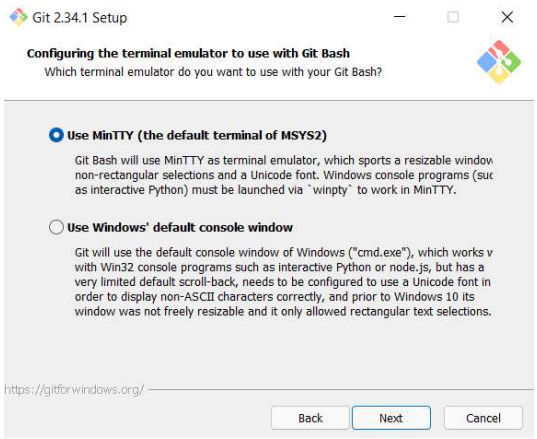
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Configuring the terminal emulator to use with Git Bash
Which terminal emulator do you want to use with your Git Bash?
Use MinTTY (the default terminal of MSYS2)
Git Bash will use MinTTY as terminal emulator, which sports a resizable window
non-rectangular selections and a Unicode font. Windows console programs (suc
as interactive Python) must be launched via `winpty` to work in MinTTY.
Use Windows' default console window
Git will use the default console window of Windows ("cmd.exe"), which works v
with Win32 console programs such as interactive Python or node.js, but has a
very limited default scroll-back, needs to be configured to use a Unicode font in
order to display non-ASCII characters correctly, and prior to Windows 10 its
window was not freely resizable and it only allowed rectangular text selections.
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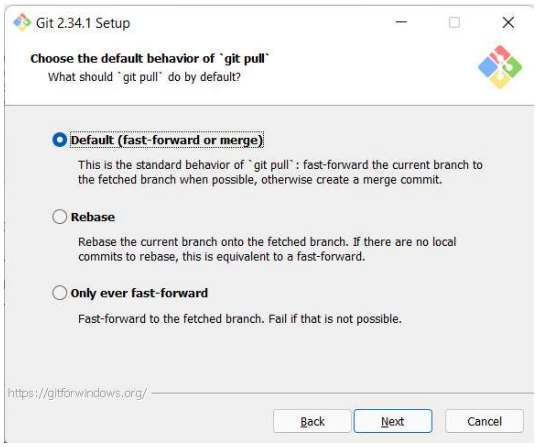
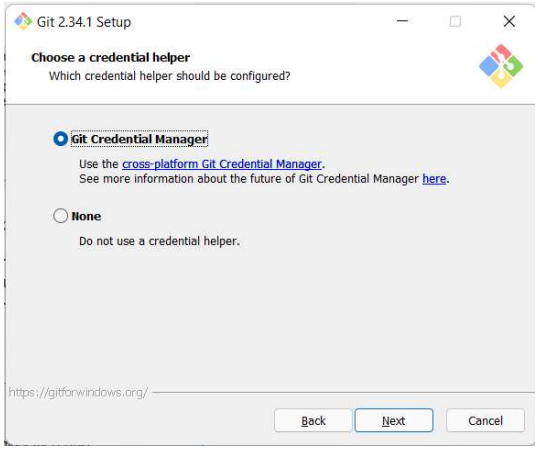
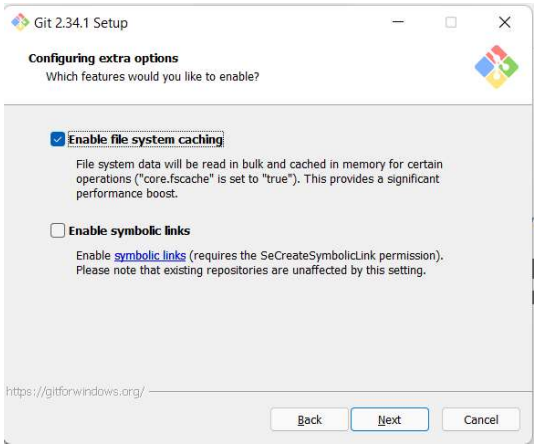
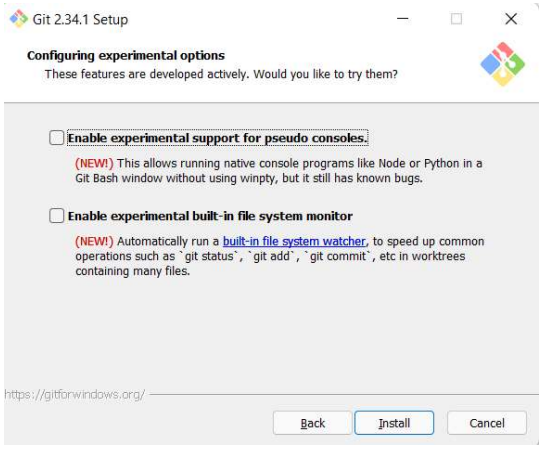
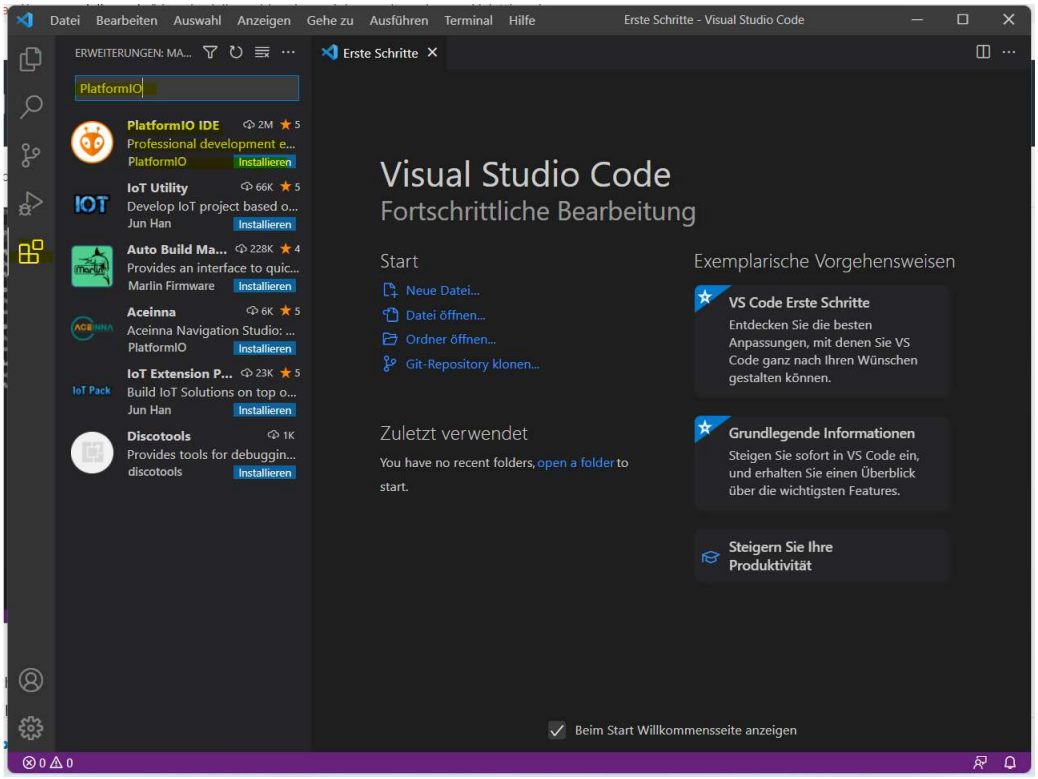








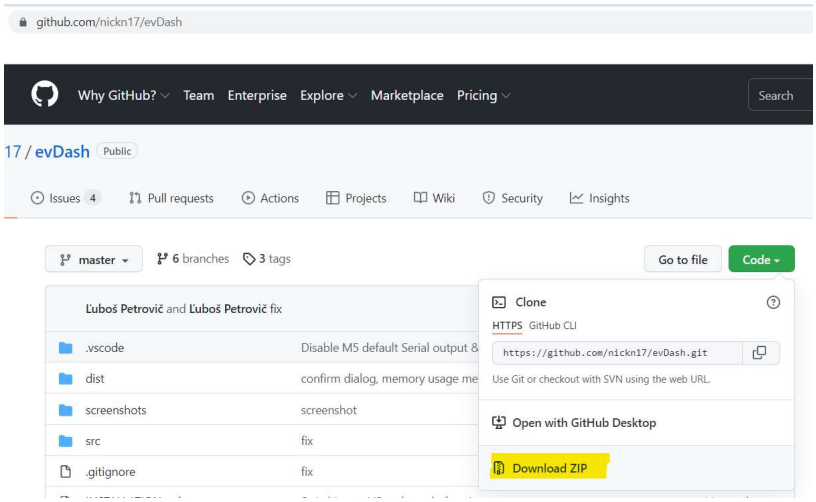
Start VSCode and install the PlatformiO Extension:



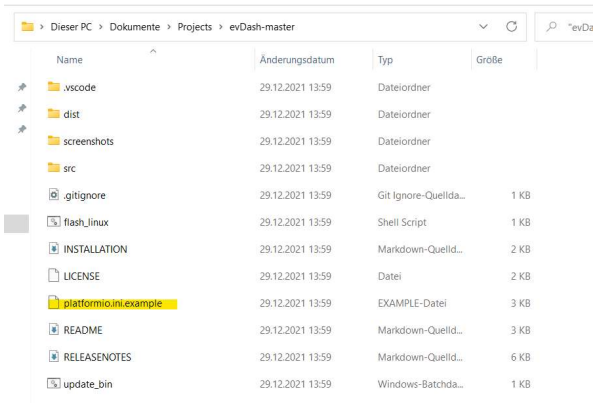
Download and install the USB to UART driver (CP2104). It can be downloaded here: https://shop.m5stack.com/pages/download

If it is installed, figure out which COM port it uses, we need this later:

Download the evDash source code from https://github.com/nickn17/evDash

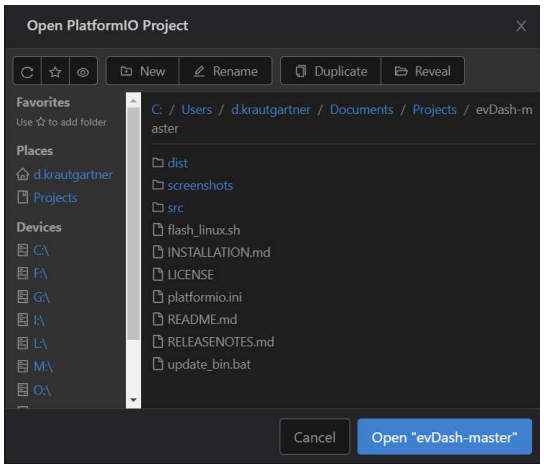


Extract the ZIP Archiv and rename the file platformio.ini.example to platformio.ini

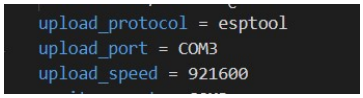


Open VSCode, klick on Platformio -> PIO Home -> Open -> Open Project:

Navigate to the folder where platformio.ini is stored and click on "Open evdash-master":



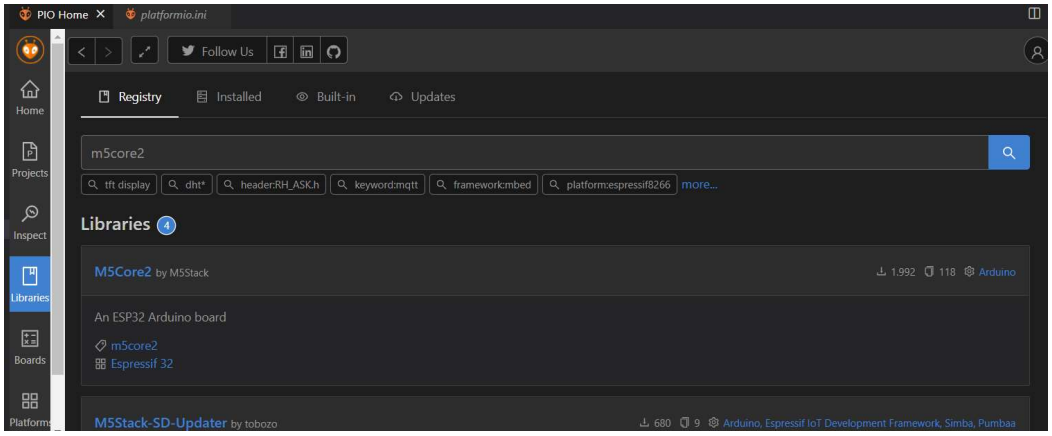
If the project is open you see the platformio.ini. You have to set the right COM Port:



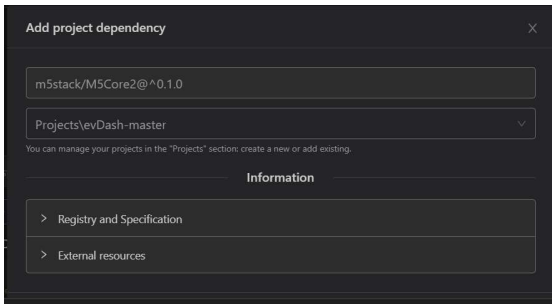
Save the file and restart VSCode.

The first time I tried to compile the source code, it did not work because the M5Core2 library was missing.

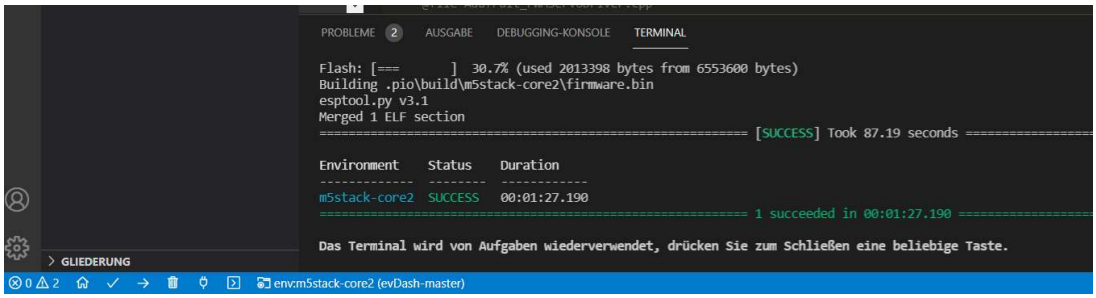
I had to add it here:



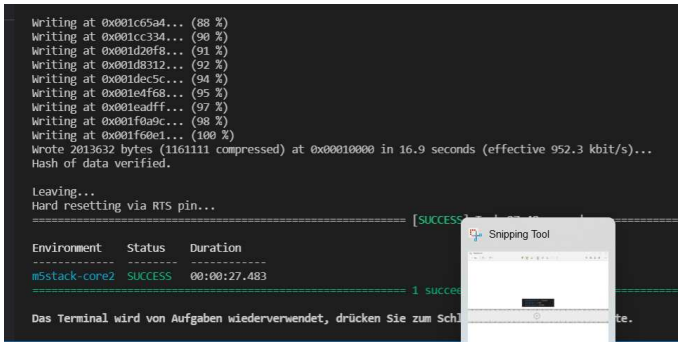
Click on "M5Core2":
Click on "Add to Project:



Now we are ready to go. In the blue line on the bottom we can select the right enviroment.
Click on env: In my case I selected m5stack-core2.
Then click on the checkmark. The output should look like this:



When compiling was succsessful, we can flash our M5Stack by clicking on the arrow right from the checkmark in the blue line:



Before you use the terminal I recommend to do the following settings on the M5stack:

Menu -> Adapter -> CAN
(If BLE is selected serial console does not work and device reboots every time you try to type.)

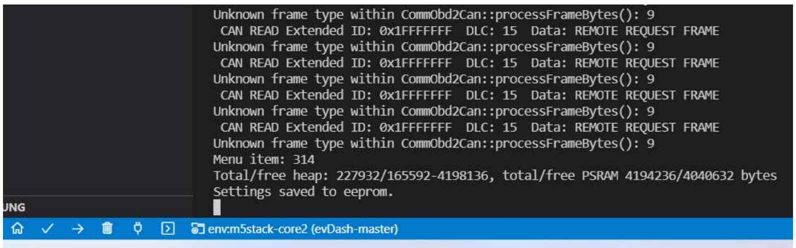
Menu -> others -> Debug level "Net"
(other debug levels create very much output...)

Now you can connect to the device via terminal. On the blue line in VSCode click on the plug sign (serial monitor) and you will see the output from the device.

Now we can do some settings via terminal:

You don't see what you type!

In some cases you see a response. For example after you typed "saveSettings" you will get "Settings saved to eeprom"



wifiSsid=MyWLANSSID
wifiPassword=verysecret
abrpApiToken=abc123
saveSettings
reboot

Then goto menu -> others -> Wifi -> Wifi enabled "on"

Now you should see the IP Address in the WLAN menu.

It is always a good idea to have the terminal open for:

saveSettings
Reboot

If you want ABRP to work you have to set the following on the device:

others -> rem. Upload -> and set:
    Module Type wifi
    API Uload int. Off
    ABRP Upload int 10-120 sec.

Don't forget to save!